

# BOARD OF ELECTIONS

**PROGRAM:**

Voter Registration Services

**PROGRAM ELEMENT:**
**PROGRAM MISSION:**

To register new voters, maintain the accuracy and currency of the official registry, validate petition signatures, respond to requests for information and listings from candidates and citizens, and administer the absentee voting process

**COMMUNITY OUTCOMES SUPPORTED:**

- Encourage and facilitate the democratic process
- Ensure the integrity of the electoral process
- Provide responsive government

**PROGRAM MEASURES**

	FY02 ACTUAL	FY03 ACTUAL	FY04 ACTUAL	FY05 BUDGET	FY05 ACTUAL	FY06 APPROVED
<b>Outcomes/Results:</b>						
Registered voters (000)	497.1	509.0	507.1	517	517.0	519
Percentage of eligible voters registered	76.2	80.0	87.7	78	78.0	78
Percentage of eligible voters voting in the general election	<sup>b</sup> NA	62.9	<sup>c</sup> NA	82	80.3	<sup>d</sup> NA
<b>Service Quality:</b>						
Percentage of new registrations entered correctly	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9
Percentage of name/address changes made correctly	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9
Percentage of deletions made correctly	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9
<b>Efficiency:</b>						
Cost per registered voter (\$)	0.98	1.96	1.57	1.61	1.99	1.80
Cost per transaction (\$) <sup>a</sup>	3.60	3.86	4.65	4.63	2.62	5.19
Percentage of registrations from Motor Vehicle Administration and other State agencies	61.1	40.0	43.0	62.0	27.0	40.0
<b>Workload/Outputs:</b>						
Total ballots cast (000)	<sup>b</sup> 0	450	127	380	458	<sup>d</sup> 0
Absentee ballots processed (000)	<sup>b</sup> 0	19.5	6.3	40.0	40.7	<sup>d</sup> 0
New registrations (000)	26.8	30.0	36.6	26.0	62.0	26.8
Total transactions processed (000) <sup>a</sup>	135	258	171	180	382	180
<b>Inputs:</b>						
Expenditures (\$000)	486.0	996.0	796.0	833.8	1,000.0	935.0
Workyears	15.7	21.1	12.0	12.0	12.0	10.8

**Notes:**

<sup>a</sup>Total transactions include new registrations, name changes, address changes, affiliation changes, deletions, inactivations, reactivations, Help America Vote Act required identifications, confirmation mailings sent, replies received, petition signatures verified, continuous registration, absentee ballot requests and provisional ballots processed.

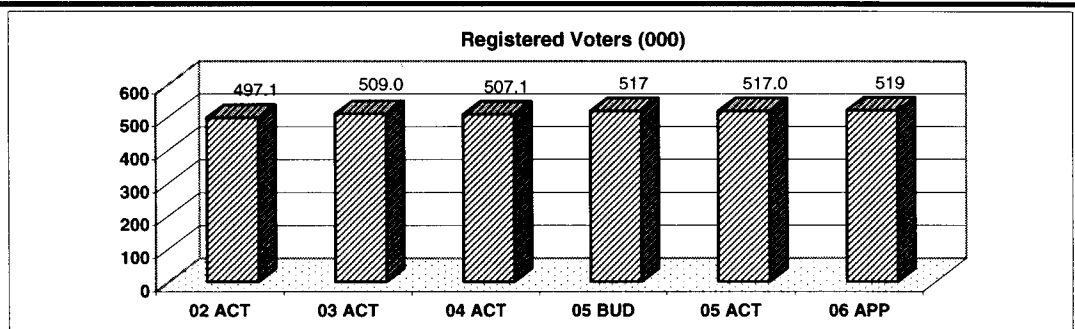
<sup>b</sup>There were no elections in FY02.

<sup>c</sup>There was no general election in FY04.

<sup>d</sup>There will be no Countywide elections in FY06.

**EXPLANATION:**

Voter registration, at 517,000 in FY05, continues to increase, although by FY06 it will be adjusted through post-election confirmation mailings. Identification documentation is now required for some registered voters by the Help America Vote Act.



**PROGRAM PARTNERS IN SUPPORT OF OUTCOMES:** Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration, Maryland State Board of Elections, Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services.

**MAJOR RELATED PLANS AND GUIDELINES:** Constitution of the United States, Help America Vote Act, Constitution of the State of Maryland, Registration and Election Laws of Maryland, Code of Maryland, Code and Charter of Montgomery County, other policies and procedures issued by the State Board of Elections and the Montgomery County Board of Elections.